

Remarks:

Claims 1-3, 5, 7-13, 17-40, 54 and 58-61 are pending. Claims 1, 5, 9, 10, 54 and 60 are amended and claims 3-4, 6, 13-16, 34-53, 55-57, 59 and 62-64 are cancelled by the virtue of this amendment.

Allowable Subject Matter:

The Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for finding claims 3, 11-12, 17, 19-33 and 59 allowable if rewritten to incorporate the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 1 is amended to incorporate the elements of claim 3; claim 54 is amended to incorporate the elements of claim 59. Accordingly, claims 1 and 54 should be in condition for allowance for the same reasons that the Examiner found claims 3 and 59 allowable.

Claims 2-2, 5, 7-13, and 17-33 are directly or indirectly dependent on claim 1 and are therefore in condition or allowance for being dependent on an allowable base claims. Claims 58 and 60-61 are dependent on allowable claim 54, and should be also in condition for allowance.

Claim Objections:

Claims 9, 10 and 60 were objected to for typographical errors which have now been corrected by the virtue of this amendment.

§102 and 103 Rejection(s):

In light of the above, all pending claims are now in condition for allowance, therefore it is respectfully submitted that the 102 and 103 grounds of rejection have been overcome.

No amendment made was related to the statutory requirements of patentability unless expressly stated herein; and no amendment made was for the purpose of narrowing the scope of any claim, unless Applicants have expressly argued herein that such amendment was made to distinguish over a particular reference or combination of references.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles, California, telephone number (310) 789 2100 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

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